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Alaskan farmers now have their own State PMA Committee. It is administering the Agricultural Conservation Program, the only program active in Alaska at the present time, the U. S. Department of Agriculture announces.

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The U. S. Department of Agriculture has announced a 1953 national production goal of 359 million bushels of white potatoes. This compares with a 1952 crop of 349 million bushels of white potatoes.

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The U. S. Department of Agriculture reports that if present favorable conditions continue, Canada will be declared free of foot-and-mouth disease on March 1, 1953.

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North Dakota farmers are reminded that performance reports covering 1952 Agricultural Conservation Practices must be reported to local County PMA Committees by January 15, 1953.

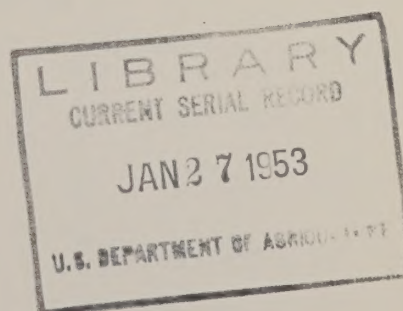
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In 1930, farmers received 39 percent of the consumer's food dollar. Last year they averaged 50 percent, and this year they've received just a little less, the U. S. Department of Agriculture reports.

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The Agricultural Conservation Program has proved an effective means of getting farmers to adopt soil and water conservation practices on their farms. Once practices have become established, it has encouraged shifts to other needed practices.

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Maintaining favorable conditions for the growing of crops is the aim of conservation farming. It is more than preventing soil from washing and blowing away, the Production and Marketing Administration emphasizes.

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In 1920 nearly three-fourths of the total labor force in the U. S. was engaged in agricultural pursuits; at the turn of the century a little more than a third; and now, only a sixth, the Production and Marketing Administration points out.

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Prices received by farmers declined nearly 4 percent from mid-September to mid-November. Part of the drop reflected the usual seasonal price movements, but for some products particularly meat animals, price declines were larger than usual because of record marketings, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reports.

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By assisting farmers to carry out approved soil and water conserving practices, the Agricultural Conservation Program has encouraged balanced farming on many of the Nation's farms.

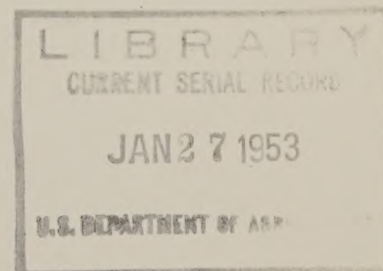
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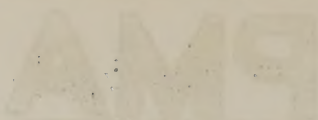
Nearly half of the Nation's farmers, farming more than two-thirds of the farmland, are carrying out conservation practices, according to Charley Mays of the Production and Marketing Administration, USDA.

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World corn production in 1952-53 is tentatively forecast at about 5.6 billion bushels, the Department of Agriculture reports. That would be a near record crop exceeded only by the 6 billion bushel crop of 1948.

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Information regarding conditions for the growing of crops in the State of Texas is being furnished to the Texas Department of Agriculture. It is also being furnished to the Texas Department of Agriculture. The Texas Department of Agriculture is also being furnished to the Texas Department of Agriculture.

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In 1935 nearly 100,000 acres of the total labor force in the U. S. was engaged in agricultural work. At the turn of the century a little more than a third of the total labor force was engaged in agricultural work. The Texas Department of Agriculture is also being furnished to the Texas Department of Agriculture.

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By assisting farmers to carry out approved soil and water conserving practices, the Texas Department of Agriculture has encouraged increased farming in the State of Texas.

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Nearly half of the State's income, farming more than two-thirds of the State's land, is derived from agriculture. The Texas Department of Agriculture is also being furnished to the Texas Department of Agriculture.

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World crop production in 1935-36 is estimated to be about 2.5 billion bushels. The Texas Department of Agriculture is also being furnished to the Texas Department of Agriculture.

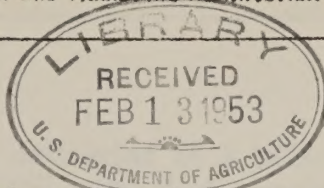
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The Bureau of Agricultural Economics estimates that the per capita diet for 1952 was about 12 percent higher than in the 5 years preceding World War II.

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The U. S. Department of Agriculture has reported that farmers put more than 334 million bushels of 1952-crop wheat under price support through November 15, 1952.

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The amount of grain and grain products we are shipping to other countries continues substantially below a year ago. The U. S. Department of Agriculture says we exported the equivalent of about 150 million bushels in the period from July through October of this year. A year earlier, exports were 202 million bushels.

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The farm-by-farm visits, by PMA county committeemen, are resulting in a much better understanding of the 1953 Agricultural Conservation Program and the assistance and services available.

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Loans and purchase agreements on 1952 small grains are available in county PMA offices until January 31, 1953.

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Nearly 48 percent of the funds used for carrying out conservation practices in the Nation under the 1951 ACP went for establishment of protective cover and green manure crops, nearly 30 percent went for improvement of range and pasture land, about 12 percent for dirt moving and other so-called mechanical erosion control practices, approximately 3.5 percent for drainage, irrigation practices took 3.8 percent, forestry 0.5 percent and all others 2.8 percent.

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World wool production in 1952 is estimated at 4 billion 170 million pounds - about 140 million pounds more than in 1951, the U. S. Department of Agriculture reports.

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Conservation farming is essential if we are to produce what is needed, and at the same time maintain and improve the productive capacity of the soil, so as to insure the needed increased production for the future, the Production and Marketing Administration emphasizes.

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North Dakota farmers cooperating in the 1952 Agricultural Conservation Program have the responsibility of reporting performance of the practices completed to local county PMA committees by January 15, 1953.

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North Dakota county flaxseed price support rates for 1953 range from \$3.64 to \$3.79 per bushel for No. 1 flaxseed, the Production and Marketing Administration reports.

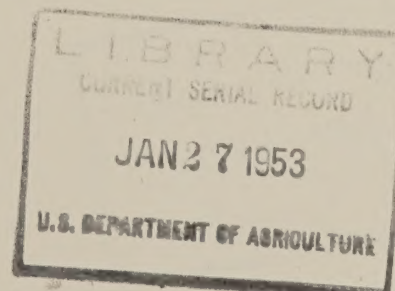
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Commodity Credit Corporation loans are available through June 30, 1953 to eligible borrowers for the purchase of mobile drying equipment. See your local PMA county committee for details.

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Some of the major objectives of the price support programs are to encourage the high level of agricultural production required by the Nation, encourage orderly marketing during the marketing year of the crops that are produced, and to stabilize farm purchasing power, helping not only farmers but also industrial workers who are dependent on the farm market for an important part of their output.

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World soybean production in 1952 is forecast at 650 million bushels, second only to the record crop of 1950, the U. S. Department of Agriculture reports.

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The Farm Storage Facility Loan program has provided North Dakota farmers with about 7 million bushels of additional "on-the-farm" storage capacity, the Production and Marketing Administration reports.

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The Agricultural Conservation Program is a government-farmer partnership not only for improving our soil and water resources, but as an insurance that these resources will not be depleted to the extent that the National economy and the health and welfare of all the people of the country will suffer.

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Foods featured on the U. S. Department of Agriculture's "Plentiful" list for January include: Oranges, tangerines, grapefruit, raisins, almonds, filberts, walnuts, honey, eggs, heavy turkeys, pork and pork products, frozen fish, nonfat dry milk solids, lard, vegetable shortening, salad oils, and table fat.

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"A total of 25 million people, or about 40 percent of our total labor force of 61 million employees, are now engaged in agriculture and related industries ....."  
Gus F. Geissler, Administrator, Production and Marketing Administration

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North Dakota county oats price support rates for 1953 range from 69 cents to 72 cents per bushel for oats grading No. 3 or better, the Production and Marketing Administration reports.

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